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House Resolution No. 3151

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have contributed an exceptional amount of time and effort to ensuring that state government provides its much-needed services and programs in the efficient, effective manner mandated by the public; and

Whereas, James E. McNeill of Sikeston, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as a Lieutenant with the Missouri State Highway Patrol; and

Whereas, Lieutenant James McNeill recently enhanced his already impressive record of achievement when he was presented with the MASTERS Public Service Award at the 17th Annual Awards Banquet held by the Missouri State Highway Patrol; and

Whereas, the MASTERS Public Service Award is given by the Missouri Association of State Troopers Emergency Relief Society for devotion to community and state as a Highway Patrol officer and as a private citizen; and

Whereas, Lieutenant James McNeill is a twenty-nine year veteran of the Missouri State Highway Patrol who is assigned to Troop E where he handles the daily operations of the Service Center, is an assistant drug testing officer, oversees troop reconstructions, and coordinates the chaplaincy program; and

Whereas, Lieutenant James McNeill is responsible for organizing and implementing the annual multiagency Torch Run in southeast Missouri, and since 1993 he has coordinated a contingent of officers at the Sikeston Jaycee Bootheel Rodeo, which brings in 40,000 spectators and participants at the four-day event; and

Whereas, James McNeill is an active member of Fellowship Baptist Church in Sikeston where he has served as a deacon for the past fourteen years and has served on numerous committees; and

Whereas, James McNeill also deserves mention of his special work with the Gideon's organization since 1997:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to salute Lieutenant James McNeill, to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon receiving the MASTERS Public Service Award, and to express our sincerest best wishes for continued success in life for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Lieutenant James E. McNeill of the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Offered by	
	Representative Scott A. Lipke
	District No. 157
	Representative Ellen Brandom
	District No. 160
fourth Gene the above is	on, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety- eral Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that is a true and correct copy of House Resolution adopted May 3, 2007.
Rod Jetton,	Speaker